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**DOMESTIC SECTION 214 APPLICATION FILED FOR THE
TRANSFER OF CONTROL OF
GLOBAL CONNECTION INC. OF AMERICA TO GLOBAL RECONNECT, INC.**

STREAMLINED PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED

WC Docket No. 16-30

Comments Due: March 1, 2016
Reply Comments Due: March 8, 2016

Global Connection Inc. of America (GCIOA), Global Connection Holdings Corporation (Global Holdings), and Global Reconnect (Global Reconnect) (together, Applicants) filed an application pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and Section 63.03 of the Commission's rules, requesting approval to transfer control of GCIOA to Global Reconnect.¹

GCIOA, a Georgia corporation, is authorized to provide competitive local exchange carrier (LEC) service in 26 states.² GCIOA is designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) to provide wireline and wireless Lifeline service. Applicants state that GCIOA is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Global Holdings, which is held by L6-Global Manager LLC (L6-Global), a Georgia limited liability company. Global Reconnect, a Delaware corporation, was established to acquire the direct stock interests in GCIOA. Global Reconnect does not hold any telecommunications regulatory authority and has no subsidiaries or affiliates that hold such regulatory authority.³ Global Reconnect is wholly owned by Stan McCright, a United States citizen.

Pursuant to the terms of the proposed transaction, Global Reconnect will acquire 100 percent of the stock in GCIOA, which will become a wholly-owned direct subsidiary. A majority 82.5 percent interest in Global Reconnect (and thus, the majority indirect interest in GCIOA) will be held post-consummation by Stan McCright. At the same time, Global Holdings will acquire preferred stock in Global Reconnect, representing approximately 17.5 percent ownership of Global Reconnect, and resulting

¹ See 47 C.F.R. § 63.03; 47 U.S.C. § 214. Applicants also filed applications for the transfer of authorizations associated with international services. Any action on this domestic section 214 application is without prejudice to Commission action on other related, pending applications.

² See Application for a complete list of states where GCIOA provides service.

³ Applicants state that Global Reconnect has one affiliate that took steps to establish itself as a wireless ETC provider, but it has not acquired regulatory approval and does not provide service.

in an indirect 17.5 percent interest in GCIOA. L6-Global will continue to hold the majority direct interest in Global Holdings and Milestone Partners will continue to hold ultimate control of Global Holdings. Applicants assert that the proposed transaction is entitled to presumptive streamlined treatment under Section 63.03(b)(2)(i) of the Commission's rules and that a grant of the application will serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity.⁴

Domestic Section 214 Application Filed for the Transfer of Control of Global Connection Inc. of America to Global Reconnect, Inc., WC Docket No. 16-30 (filed Feb. 4, 2016).

GENERAL INFORMATION

The transfer of control identified herein has been found, upon initial review, to be acceptable for filing as a streamlined application. The Commission reserves the right to return any transfer application if, upon further examination, it is determined to be defective and not in conformance with the Commission's rules and policies. Pursuant to Section 63.03(a) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 63.03(a), interested parties may file comments **on or before March 1, 2016**, and reply comments **on or before March 8, 2016**. Pursuant to Section 63.52 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.52, commenters must serve a copy of comments on the Applicants no later than the above comment filing date. Unless otherwise notified by the Commission, the Applicants may transfer control on the 31st day after the date of this notice.

Pursuant to Section 63.03 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 63.03, parties to this proceeding should file any documents in this proceeding using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS): <http://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs/>.

In addition, e-mail one copy of each pleading to each of the following:

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⁴ 47 C.F.R. § 63.03(b)(2)(i).

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For further information, please contact Myrva Freeman at (202) 418-1506 or Dennis Johnson at (202) 418-0809.

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